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The present invention provides an interactive system and method for effective and convenient language translation. The system and method provides a translation window that is opened in conjunction with a web page window containing web pages hosted on the internet. The translation window and web page window are automatically adjusted in size and position so that they fit on one user-viewable screen without overlapping. The translation window is linked to a translation dictionary database accessible through the internet which provides accurate and comprehensive definitions of the words that are identified to be translated.